The State Government including the State of Andhra Pradesh may make their own arrangements to meet the urgent requirements of paper especially since the subsidy scheme is not meant to meet 100 per cent requirements of paper.

(d) The Hindustan Paper Corporation supplies concessional white printing paper to the educational sector at Rs. 12,360 per MT (Rs. 7,560 plus Rs. 4,800 per MT as subsidy) for allotments upto March, 1990. The open market price varies from mill to mill and at the timing of purchase they are usually higher than the concessional rate.

(e) Presumably the Hon'ble Member refers to recovery of amount from Hindustan Paper Corporation. The scheme does not contemplate any recovery from the Corporation.

(f) There is no such proposal for the present.

Development of rescue systems for submarines

3086. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plans under their consideration to develop rescue system in submarines used by Indian Navy in case of accidents;

(b) if so, since when the project has been going on; and

(c) whether any interim facilities have been developed in the absence of a proper rescue system in event of a submarine accident?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) The Indian Navy has plans to acquire a Submarine Rescue Vessel (SRV) in the place of an SRV which was recently decommissioned.

(b) Approval of the Government for this acquisition was accorded in March 1988.

(c) The Navy are presently using a Diving Support Vessel on dry charter from an indigenous shipyard, as an interim measure.

Tightening of security in Defence Security Zone

3087. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had decided in 1983-84 to tighten the security in Defence Security Zone; and

(b) if so, the details of steps taken to stop recurrence of such incidents particularly to avoid involvement of officers at senior level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) and (b) Review of various measures to tighten the security in Defence Security Zone is a constant and on-going exercise. Based on the experience gained in the implementation of existing arrangements, fresh instructions are issued from time to time. It would not be in the security interest to disclose details.

Entitlement of stenographic assistance to AFHQ Officers

3088. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that scale of entitlement of stenographic assistance to AFHQ Officers was laid down by Government in February, 1988;

(b) if so, what purpose was sought to be achieved thereby;

(c) whether action to follow the aforesaid scale has been strictly taken by all the user HQ|Br|organs; and